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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR NETWORK  
LOAD BALANCING WITH A COMPOUND  
DATA STRUCTURE

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is a reply to a non-final Office Action mailed on September 08, 2003, for the above-identified application. The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the following amendments and remarks and advance the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 14 of this paper.

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